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Local and Personal

Capt. Frank Lytle of Stanton was among our Tuesday visitors.

Mr. John C. Davant, Jr., of Brooksville was in Ocala Tuesday on legal business.

Mrs. I. C. Kendrick of Anthony is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Frances A. Howse.

If you happen to be near Fishel's store drop in and look at the new goods arriving daily.

Mr. A. A. Olin, one of the prominent citizens of Kendrick, represented his section in Ocala Tuesday.

Capt. and Mrs. J. B. Martin came up from Oklawaha Wednesday for a few days' visit at the Ocala House.

Mr. and Mrs. Krug of Cincinnati, O., are in Ocala on a visit to their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Holder.

Messrs. Kibler and Grumbles of the Buttgenbach Phosphate Company at Holder were in Ocala on business Tuesday, having come up in the former's automobile.

Mrs. W. A. Collier and children of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, after spending two months in Ocala with her mother, Mrs. E. Van Hood, left Tuesday afternoon for their home. Mrs. Hood accompanied them to Jacksonville.

Mrs. Julia S. Haisley is back from a very delightful visit to Tampa, St. Petersburg and Lakeland. She says that in all these places the whole atmosphere is redolent with the perfume of the orange blossoms, and the groves present a picture of loveliness.

Mr. Archie McBrass of Gaiter was a prominent figure on our streets Tuesday. Mr. Brass says that his section is viewing things through an optimistic telescope, and expects to run up against that "good time coming" bye and bye.

Mr. Clarence McDavid has gone to Daytona, where he has accepted a position on one of its newspapers. Since leaving Ocala some years ago he has made a tour of the west, extending his visit as far as the Philippines, where he spent several months, and his description of that country is quite interesting.

Mr. M. Fishel, Ocala's leading pioneer merchant, has returned from an extended purchasing trip to New York City, where he has made a very careful selection of spring and summer goods, which he is now receiving and offering to his customers. He bought these goods at very close figures, and is in a position to give his customers the benefit of these prices. Mr. Fishel has a very attractive store, now occupying two rooms, and the readers of this paper will stand in their own light if they do not go and inspect his nice line of goods, which are now arriving on every train.

DEATH OF HON. A. P. BASKIN

The friends and acquaintances of Hon. A. P. Baskin in this county and throughout the state will regret to learn of his death, which occurred at the home of his son, Dr. J. G. Baskin, at Dunnellon, on Sunday, March 22. He died from cancer of the stomach. The remains were taken to Anthony, where he spent the greater portion of his active life, and were laid to rest beside his loved ones.

The deceased was a man of strong personality and convictions and impressed his views with such clearness and force upon his fellows that he was at once recognized as a leader of men. He was nominated on the legislative ticket, and he and his colleague, the late Lion Francis D. Poozer, were the first democrats to represent this county in that body after the reconstruction period.

Mr. Baskin took great interest in the Alliance movement, and was soon recognized as one of its most conspicuous members, and headed the movement in this county, and under his direction it became a most formidable political party. He soon impressed his strong personality upon the organization throughout the state and received and accepted the nomination for governor at its hands, and measured strength with Governor Mitchell in 1892.

The Alliance movement grew so formidable in this state that it is very generally believed that it could have easily controlled the democratic organization if its leaders had followed the advice of Tillman and remained within the democratic party instead of dropping off from it and forming a separate organization. If such had been the case the politics of Florida would have had to be rewritten, and Mr. Baskin would no doubt had a career in Florida not unlike Senator Tillman's in South Carolina. He had many of the same rugged characteristics.

Mr. Baskin was born in the town of Perry, Houston county, Georgia, sixty-four years ago, and belonged to a large and prominent family of that county. He enlisted in the war at the first call to arms and was a faithful and zealous soldier. He came to Florida not many years after the reconstruction era and settled at Anthony. He planted an orange grove and brought it to maturity, but it was wiped out by the great freeze. He was also a successful trucker and was among the first to successfully engage in lettuce planting. Besides being a trucker and orange grower, he was a good all-round farmer.

A few years before his death he purchased a controlling interest in a large and profitable grove near Largo, in Hillsborough county, and was just in a position to take life easy when he was attacked with cancer of the stomach.

When told that his condition was hopeless he showed the same fortitude and courage that had marked his career throughout life, and when the summons came he illustrated the martyrdom of Bryant's Thanatopsis: "Wrapped the draperies of his couch about him as one who lays down to pleasant dreams."

A REMINDER AND A REVELATION

"Uncle Joe" Shuford, more than any other man in Florida, is busily engaged in showing not "what can be done in Florida," but what is being done. Mr. Shuford has a little patch of ground between his place and the A. C. L. railway, and every month in the year, every week in the month, and nearly every day in the week, he has something new and fresh growing upon it. It is just a lesson and a pastime, but is an ocular demonstration of the possibilities and actualities of the state, all the same. His catalog embraces everything from leek, onions, kale and garlic, the vegetables of biblical times, to cauliflower, tomatoes, lettuce, and the latest Burbank squash and cactus. His catalog does not begin nor end with vegetables, but include every variety of fruits and flowers, from the pomegranate to the guava, and the lily to the chrysanthemum. His little patch of ground is indeed a revelation.

PYTHIAN SISTERS

The Ocala lodge of the Knights of Pythias contemplate establishing a temple of Pythian Sisters as soon as the requisite number of fifteen is secured. Miss Jeanette Brown of Palatka has been invited to come to Ocala and institute the temple some time during the month of April. This is a worthy organization, and is rapidly becoming popular all over the country.

FOR MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATURE

Dr. William Griffith of Dunnellon has announced his candidacy for member of the legislature from this county, and his friends easily predict his election.

Dr. Griffith came to Florida from Alabama, and has been a citizen among us for fourteen years—long enough to become identified with all our interests, hopes, aspirations and ambitions. This is as long as Jacob served Laban for Rachel, and the doctor's love of his adopted state and county, and his loyalty to his party, which he has always served, is as true, and staunch, and devoted as was exhibited by this worthy patriarch, whose service we have mentioned, and whose name has become in all ages and in all lands a synonym for loyalty and devotion.

Dr. Griffith is a splendid type of man, is now in the full fruition of his powers and if elected will make an efficient and influential member of our legislative assembly, and we believe the people of the county will have cause to be proud of his stewardship.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ELKS

The Ocala lodge of Elks held an interesting meeting in their nicely furnished rooms Tuesday night. It being the annual meeting, and the time prescribed for the election of officers, a large number were in attendance.

The balloting resulted in the election of the following named persons for the several offices:

Exalted Ruler—Stephen Jewett.
Esteemed Leading Knight—B. C. Webb.
Esteemed Loyal Knight—Edward Drake.
Esteemed Lecturing Knight—E. J. Crook.

Treasurer—T. T. Munroe.
Secretary—D. S. Williams.

Mr. S. A. Rawls was elected delegate to the national convention at Dallas, Texas, and Mr. S. T. Sistrunk, alternate.

THE GOVERNMENT BUILDING

Mr. John Young, supervising architect of the government building in this city, received information Tuesday that the government has allowed Messrs. Hoertz & Co., contractors and builders, the sum of eight hundred and fifty dollars for the work they have already done in excavating for the building. This means that the present location will be abandoned, and that the building will be located more in the center of the lot, much to the gratification of all of our citizens.

We expect to hear in a few days that the contractors will be notified to proceed with the work on the new location.

We had a very pleasant visit Friday morning from Mr. L. S. Brooks of Maynard, Mass., who owns a very fine orange grove at Citra, and who spends his winters there. Mr. Brooks said that after the great freeze he tried to resuscitate his big grove, but found that battling against the white fly was even a harder task than taking chances with the mercury. But, he says, in recent years the brown fungus has almost completely annihilated the white fly, and the orange growers around Citra and indeed all over the state of Florida feel very much encouraged and are going to work with new zeal in planting orange trees and bringing them to maturity. Mr. Brooks said that there are a great number of very promising groves in the Citra neighborhood, and it bids fair to again become the center of this industry, and that many thousands of boxes will be marketed the coming season. Mr. and Mrs. Brooks are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Teague, and returned to Citra Saturday.

The entire fifth grade of the Ocala High School and their teacher, Miss Miriam Pasteur, and their last year's teacher, Miss Susie Fort, were invited out in the country to spend the day Saturday with the young daughters of Capt. and Mrs. S. R. Pyles. It was a day of great delight to the young folks and also to their teachers, and one that they will not soon forget. Mrs. Pyles, who is a most royal entertainer, exerted every effort to make the day an enjoyable one and they will not soon forget their day at the beautiful Pyles farm.

Mr. Ernest McLin and family expect to leave about April the first for Jacksonville, where they will hereafter make their home. Mr. McLin will be engaged in business with Mr. S. A. Rawls.

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M. FISHEL

Mr. T. H. Johnson had an experience "concernin' a wire fence" on Sunday afternoon that he doesn't care to repeat soon. He sprang over a net wire in the Taylor pond, not noticing that a barbed wire was also stretched some distance in the air. This caught his nose and tore it up considerably, causing a most painful wound. He is busy explaining to his friends how he came by his "pet" nose.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. William Theodore Gary is being blessed by the presence of a fairy-like little daughter, who was born at an early hour Tuesday. The little lady is having a warm reception and Mr. and Mrs. Gary have the best wishes of their friends over this happy event.

Mr. N. A. Goodwin of Standard was in the city Monday on business. His many Ocala and Marion county friends will be glad to know that he has given up the idea of moving to another state.

Mr. M. Fishel says he has bought the nicest line of lawns from 5c. to 15c. a yard ever shown in Ocala. x

For Member of the Legislature

Mr. L. S. Light, of Reddick, is again a candidate before the democratic primaries for nomination as a member of the legislature from this county.

Mr. Light is an original and unique character and possesses a strong and untiring personality. He is very popular among his immediate neighbors. Those who know him best love him best.

Mr. Light has made a thorough and conscientious study of the questions now before the country for settlement, they presented a fine appearance the current history of the times. He was a candidate for the nomination at the last primary for this same position and missed the nomination by a mere handful. This time his friends say that he has just a little longer reach and the permission is his'n.

If elected he will make his presence known at Tallahassee.

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